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PARIS, QUITO, RABAT, RECIFE, RIO DE JANEIRO, ROME, SALVADOR, SAN JOSE

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SUBJECT: BICENTENNIAL GLOBAL AUTOMOBILE TOUR

1. POSTS MAY WISH TO KNOW ABOUT A BICENTENNIAL GLOBAL
RECORD RUN BEING PLANNED BY THE NATIONAL CAR RENTAL COMPANY
TO BEGIN JULY 4 AND BE COMPLETED ABOUT 60 DAYS LATER.
NATIONAL'S EUROPCAR AFFILIATES AND TILDEN RENT-A-CAR (CANADA)
ARE COOPERATING, AS ALSO THE AMERICAN AUTOMOBILE CLUB AND
POSSIBLY ITS AFFILIATES ABROAD. STATES PURPOSE OF THE PROJECT
IS TO SHOW ENDURANCE OF TWO STANDARD FACTORY-BUILT
PONTIAC PASSENGER CARS, AS WELL AS TO ESTABLISH FOR THE FIRST
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TIME A WORLD-GIRDLING MARK. SPONSORS ARE ALSO ADDING A

BICENTENNIAL GOODWILL ASPECT, INCLUDING PRESENTATION OF BICENTENNIAL MEDALS AND OTHER ITEMS TO KEY PERSONS IN COUNTRIES VISITED. PROJECT DOES NOT HOWEVER HAVE ANY OFFICIAL BICENTENNIAL STATUS AT THIS TIME.

2. PARTY WILL INCLUDE TWO PROFESSIONAL DRIVERS (JOHN PARSONS, VETERAN INDIANAPOLIS 500 COMPETITOR, AND MS PAULA MURPHY, EXPERIENCED IN TRANSCONTINENTAL ENDURANCE TESTS). ALSO IN PARTY WILL BE AN ENGINEER/MECHANIC, A US AUTO CLUB OBSERVER, A COORDINATOR/PUBLIC RELATIONS MANAGER, AND TWO PHOTOGRAPHERS. ALTHOUGH AIMED AT ESTABLISHING A RECORD, SPEED LIMITS WILL BE RIGIDLY OBSERVED AT ALL TIMES. SEVERAL AIR CARGO FLIGHTS ARE CONTEMPLATED INCLUDING ENTIRE DISTANCE BETWEEN CALCUTTA TO GUAN, HAWAII AND ALASKA

3. SPONSORS ARE CONSULTING WASHINGTON EMBASSIES OF COUNTRIES INVOLVED FOR INFORMATION, VISAS, ETC. PROPOSED ITINERARY FOLLOWS, INCLUDING SEVERAL VERY TENTATIVE ESTIMATES OF DATES:

MEXICO: MONTERREY, SALTILLO, SAN LUIS POTOSI, MEXICO CITY, CIUDAD CUAUHTEMOC (MONTERREY: JULY 7)

GUATEMALA: GUATEMALA CITY

EL SALVADOR: SAN SALVADOR

HONDURAS: TEGUCIGALPA

NICARAGUA MANAGUA

COSTA RICA SAN JOSE

PAHAMA PANAMA CITY

COLOMBIA: BARRANQUILLA

VENEZUELA: MARACAIBO

COLOMBIA (RE-ENTRY): BOGOTA

ECUADOR: QUITO, GUAYAQUIL

PERU: LIMA, AREQUIPA

BOLIVIA: LA PAZ

ARGENTINA: CORDOBA, BUENOS AIRES

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URUGUAY: MONTEVIDEO

PARAGUAY: URUQUAIANA

BRAZIL: IGUAZU FALLS, CURITIBA, SAO APULO, RIO DE JANEIRO,

SALVADOR, RECIFE. (LEAVE RECIFE AUGUST 1)

SNENGAL: DAKAR, ST. LOUIS

MAURITANIA: ROSSO, NOUAKCHOTT, ATAR, F'DERICK

MOROCCO: AAIUN, AGADIR, ESSAOUIRA, MARRAKECH, CASABLANCE,

(LEAVE CASABLANCA APPROXIMATELY AUGUST 6)

SPAIN: TANGIER, ALGECIRAS, CADIZ, SEVILLE, CORDOBA, MADRID,
ZARAGOZA, BARCELONA
FRANCE: PERIPIGNAN, LYON, PARIS, STRASBOURG
AUSTRIA, INNSBRUCK
ITALY: VERONA, VENICE, TRIESTS
YUGOSLAVIA: ZABREB, SREMSKA, MITOVICA, BELGRADE.
GREECE: GEVGELIJA, THESSALONIKI, KAVALLA
TURKEY: ISTANBUL, ANKARA, (DEPART APPROXIMATELY AUGUST 16),
ERZURUM
IRAN: MAKU, TABRIZ, TEHRAN, QOM, ZAHEDAN
PAKISTAN: MIRJAVEK/OILA SAFED, SHIKAPUR, SUKKUR,
DIPALPUR
INDIA: NEW DELHI, CALCUTTA, BOMBAY
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